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Sir:

Applicant claims priority to Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2000-334236 and 2001-307007 which correspond to the above-identified United States patent application and which were filed in the Japanese Patent Office on November 1, 2000 and October 3, 2001, respectively. Certified copies of the priority documents will follow. The priority benefits provided by Section 119 of the Patent Act of 1952 are claimed for the above application.

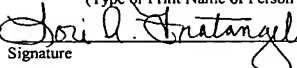
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